

# Chapter 16-752 WAC

## NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL

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- 16-752-325 Duration. [Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 89-24-090, § 16-752-325, filed 12/6/89, effective 1/6/90.] Repealed by 91-03-045 (Order 2069), filed 1/11/91, effective 2/11/91. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW.

**WAC 16-752-001 Definitions.** The definitions set forth in this section shall apply throughout this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) "Director" means the director of agriculture of this state, or a duly authorized representative.
- (2) "Department" means the Washington state department of agriculture.
- (3) "Person" means any individual, partnership, corporation, association, agency, or organized group of persons whether or not incorporated.
- (4) "Hay" means the harvested herbage of forage plants, including but not limited to grasses, legumes, sedges and rushes.
- (5) "State board" means the Washington state noxious weed control board.
- (6) "Applicant" means a project sponsor.
- (7) "BARS" means the budgeting, accounting, and reporting system of municipal fiscal management.
- (8) "Environmental checklist" means the form in WAC 197-11-960.
- (9) "Executive secretary" means the state noxious weed control board executive secretary.
- (10) "Integrated pest management" means a decision-making process which combines all feasible control techniques into a program for managing targeted noxious weeds including but not limited to prevention, monitoring, consideration of alternative methods, and evaluation.
- (11) "Local noxious weed control agency" means any activated county or regional noxious weed control board created under chapter 17.10 RCW, any weed district created under chapter 17.04 RCW, or any intercounty weed district created under chapter 17.06 RCW.
- (12) "Monitoring" means inspecting to gather and record site specific information on which decisions about treatment choices are to be based.
- (13) "Objectives" means statements of precise outcomes which can be measured to determine actual accomplishments.

(14) "Principal investigator" means the person under whose direction the noxious weed control project will be carried out such as the county weed control coordinator or county weed control board chairperson.

(15) "Project sponsor" means the county legislative authority of a county with an activated noxious weed control board, a local weed control agency, or a combination of two or more agencies acting through a lead agency, responsible for implementing an approved project.

(16) "Public benefits" means those services, goods, or other benefits, whether tangible or intangible, which accrue to persons other than those on whose property weed control measures pursuant to this chapter are undertaken.

(17) "Public costs" means those costs, whether tangible or intangible, which accrue to persons other than those on whose property weed control measures pursuant to this chapter are undertaken.

(18) "Significant environmental harm" means a reasonable likelihood of more than a moderate adverse impact on environmental quality as set forth in WAC 197-11-794.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 90-20-002 (Order 2054), § 16-752-001, filed 9/20/90, effective 10/21/90; 88-04-044 (Order 1963), § 16-752-001, filed 1/29/88. Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.235(2). 86-19-060 (Order 1907), § 16-752-001, filed 9/16/86.]

**WAC 16-752-005 Noxious weed—Tansy ragwort in hay.** The director finds that tansy ragwort, a noxious weed which is poisonous to livestock, is known to infest hay fields in Washington state. Under the authority of RCW 17.10.235, the following applies to the selling of hay in the state of Washington containing tansy ragwort (*Senecio jacobaea*) plants and parts thereof:

No person shall knowingly sell hay containing:

- (1) Any viable tansy ragwort seed; or
- (2) Greater than one-half of one percent of tansy ragwort by weight: Provided, That this section shall not be construed as establishing a safe level of tansy ragwort in hay for livestock consumption.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.235(2). 86-19-060 (Order 1907), § 16-752-005, filed 9/16/86.]

**WAC 16-752-010 Tansy ragwort in hay—Penalties.** All violations of WAC 16-752-005 are punishable under RCW 17.10.230.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.235(2). 86-19-060 (Order 1907), § 16-752-010, filed 9/16/86.]

**WAC 16-752-300 Establishing quarantine.** Yellow nutsedge (*Cyperus esculentus* L.) is a herbaceous perennial that is one of the most serious noxious weeds of agronomic crops. It propagates by seed, rhizomes, bulbs, and nutlets. Soil containing nutlets is the primary mode of spread in cultivated land. It is highly invasive and its unchecked spread would entail great economic loss to the agricultural industries of the state. It is a class B noxious weed designated for control in Cowlitz and Thurston counties (WAC 16-750-011(33)(a)). Yellow nutsedge infests a dredging spoil site at the Port of Kalama in Kalama, Washington and a plant nursery site at the Port of Olympia in Tumwater, Washington. Movement of material from these sites initiates additional

infestations. RCW 17.10.210 provides that either the director or the county noxious weed control board or a weed district may issue an order for quarantine and restriction or denial of access to land determined to be so seriously infested that control measures cannot be undertaken without quarantine of the land. The director has determined:

- (1) That the identified sites are so seriously infested as to require quarantine; and
- (2) That the movement of contaminated materials from these sites presents an immediate threat of infestation to the rest of the county agricultural and nonagricultural areas; and
- (3) That the restriction of such spread is critical to control efforts.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 98-01-056, § 16-752-300, filed 12/11/97, effective 1/11/98; 91-03-045 (Order 2069), § 16-752-300, filed 1/11/91, effective 2/11/91; 89-24-090, § 16-752-300, filed 12/6/89, effective 1/6/90.]

**WAC 16-752-305 Quarantine area.** The quarantine area shall encompass the dredge spoil site at and owned by the Port of Kalama, located along Hendrickson Drive, Kalama, Washington, and the Port of Olympia, located at the Olympia Airport, Tumwater, Washington, and more particularly described in subsections (1) and (2) of this section.

**Real estate situation in the counties of Cowlitz and Thurston, state of Washington:**

- (1) Cowlitz County parcel - containing twenty-three acres, more or less.

A tract of land in the Jacob Ahles D.L.C. No. 44 in Section 20, Township 6 north, Range 1 west of the Willamette Meridian, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the north line of a tract of land leased to the North Pacific Grain Growers, Inc., said point being north 2374.49 feet, and north 88 degrees 46'22" west parallel with the south line of said Ahles D.L.C., 263.94 feet from the southeast corner of said Section 20; thence north 1 degree 12'00" west 612.50 feet; thence north 20 degrees 23'00" west 186.52 feet to a point 30.00 feet westerly when measured at right angles from the westerly line of the Northern Pacific Railway right of way; thence parallel with and 30.00 feet from said right of way north 37 degrees 24'37" west 1325.90 feet; thence south 61 degrees 05'28" west 344.47 feet to the inner harbor line as shown on the Plat of Kalama Tidelands; thence south 27 degrees 54'56" east along said inner harbor line 1045.78 feet to the one mile limit as shown on said plat; thence south 62 degrees 05'04" west 100 feet to the low water line of the Columbia River; thence south 22 degrees 48'46" east along said low water line 751.17 feet to said north line of the North Pacific Grain Growers, Inc. lease; thence south 88 degrees 46'22" east parallel with said south line of the Ahles D.L.C. 492.48 feet to the true point of beginning.

- (2) County of Thurston, state of Washington:

Parcel number 12711230000 - a portion of this parcel containing twenty-two acres of nursery production, more or less and three access roads one of which begins at 85th Avenue SW, the other two begin at Old Highway 99 SW.

A tract of land in Section 11, Township 17 north, Range 2 west of the Willamette Meridian, more particularly described as follows:

A portion of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 11, Township 17 North, Range 2 West, W.N., Thurston County, Washington.

Beginning at the South Quarter corner of Section 11; thence north 01°53'09"E, along the center of the section line 77.6 feet to the southerly edge of the infestation, said point being 75 feet northerly of the center of taxiway 5 and the point of beginning; thence south 88°14'46"E parallel to and 75 feet northerly of taxiway 5, 1254.2 feet to coordinate pair N 604966 E 1043268 North American Datum 83/91, Washington State Lambert projection South Zone; thence north 01°32'43"E parallel to and 75 feet westerly of taxiway 5, 256.1 feet (N 605222 E 1043275); thence north 74°44'42" W, parallel to and 200 feet southerly of runway 8-26, 2031.7 feet (N 605757 E 1041315); thence south 12°53'58"W, parallel to and 75 feet easterly of taxiway 4, 744.6 feet (N 605031 E 1041148); thence south 88°14'46"E parallel to and 75 feet northerly of taxiway 5, 866.5 feet to the point of beginning. TOGETHER WITH: Two (2) 50 foot easements for ingress and egress described as follows: Beginning at the centerline of Old Highway 99 at coordinate pair N 605688 E 1044159; thence south 62°13'04"W, 337 feet (N 605531 E 1043861); thence south 37°34'07"W, 66 feet (N 605479 E 1043821); thence south 15°34'51"W, 432 feet (N 605063 E 1043705); thence south 56°50'31"W, 90 feet (N 605014 E 1043630); thence north 73°42'21"W, 135 feet (N 605052 E 1043500); thence south 73°31'23"W, 47 feet (N 605031 E 1043429).

Beginning at the coordinate pair N 605479 E 1043821; thence north 10°18'17"W, 78 feet (N 605556 E 103807); thence north 52°23'38"W, 93 feet (N 605613 E 1043733); thence north 74°34'40"W, 331 feet (N 605701 E 1043414); thence north 24°31'11"W, 63 feet (N 605758 E 1043388); thence north 0°58'36"W, 352 feet (N 606110 E 1043382).

Beginning at the end of 85th Avenue SE; thence north 14°36'57"W, 44 feet; thence north 1°44'13"E, 103 feet; thence north 1°44'13"E, 122 feet; thence north 4°2'36"E, 103 feet; thence north 1°44'13"E, 140 feet; thence north 3°31'10"E, 134 feet; thence north 1°44'13"E, 146 feet; thence north 6°43'41"W, 141 feet; thence north 6°3'35"W, 92 feet; thence north 1°44'13"E, 128 feet; thence north 15°58'50"W, 96 feet; thence south 85°33'49"W, 113 feet; thence north 88°15'39"W, 100 feet; thence north 85°38'49"W, 133 feet; thence north 88°15'36"W, 137 feet; thence north 85°28'20"W, 125 feet; thence south 89°35'45"W, 162 feet; thence north 88°15'32"W, 129 feet; thence north 88°15'30"W, 200 feet; thence north 88°15'28"W, 150 feet; thence north 85°43'23"W, 137 feet; thence north 88°38'45"E, 113 feet; thence north 83°56'12"W, 242 feet; thence north 40°38'52"W, 25 feet; thence north 40°6'3"W, 25 feet.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 98-01-056, § 16-752-305, filed 12/11/97, effective 1/11/98; 91-03-045 (Order 2069), § 16-752-305, filed 1/11/91, effective 2/11/91; 89-24-090, § 16-752-305, filed 12/6/89, effective 1/6/90.]

**WAC 16-752-310 Articles whose movement is restricted.** The movement of all plants and parts of plants of

yellow nutsedge and soil contaminated with propagules of the plant, including soil in nursery pots, is covered by this quarantine. The movement of all balled and burlap nursery stock is covered by this quarantine.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 98-01-056, § 16-752-310, filed 12/11/97, effective 1/11/98; 91-03-045 (Order 2069), § 16-752-310, filed 1/11/91, effective 2/11/91; 89-24-090, § 16-752-310, filed 12/6/89, effective 1/6/90.]

**WAC 16-752-315 Regulations.** Use of the property identified in WAC 16-752-305 is restricted as follows:

(1) All removal of sand or soil, potted nursery plants and other plants from the quarantine site, except as provided in subsection (6) of this section, is prohibited without a permit from the Cowlitz or Thurston County noxious weed control board that details the end use and exact geographic destination.

(2) All land disturbing operations including excavation, utilities work, and similar activities require a one time, no fee permit from the weed board that obligates the operator to thoroughly hose down all equipment before leaving the quarantine area and record the next two areas where the equipment is used after leaving the quarantine area.

(3) All off-road vehicles are banned in the quarantine area without the written permission of the Cowlitz or Thurston County noxious weed control board, except in designated parking areas.

(4) All weed control measures and irrigation practices in the quarantine area are to be conducted at the direction of the Cowlitz or Thurston County noxious weed control board.

(5) Yellow nutsedge control shall take precedence over all other land uses in the quarantine area.

(6) The Cowlitz or Thurston County noxious weed control board may designate and clearly mark portions of the site as free from infestation and allow removal of sand or soil from these areas without specific permit to nonagricultural sites: Provided, That adequate precautions are taken to prevent commingling of infested and noninfested soils and equipment used in the infested area is thoroughly cleaned before use in the area designated as uninfested.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 98-01-056, § 16-752-315, filed 12/11/97, effective 1/11/98; 91-03-045 (Order 2069), § 16-752-315, filed 1/11/91, effective 2/11/91; 89-24-090, § 16-752-315, filed 12/6/89, effective 1/6/90.]

**WAC 16-752-320 Costs of quarantine.** The costs of serving the notice required by RCW 17.10.210(2) shall be borne by the department. The costs of control work shall be borne by the landowner unless otherwise determined by the Cowlitz or Thurston County noxious weed control board or the director in consultation with the Washington state noxious weed control board.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 98-01-056, § 16-752-320, filed 12/11/97, effective 1/11/98; 91-03-045 (Order 2069), § 16-752-320, filed 1/11/91, effective 2/11/91; 89-24-090, § 16-752-320, filed 12/6/89, effective 1/6/90.]

**WAC 16-752-330 Violation and penalty.** Any person who violates this quarantine shall have committed a civil infraction and shall be subject to the provisions of RCW 17.10.310 and 17.10.350 and WAC 16-750-020 which pro-

vides monetary penalties of up to one thousand dollars per infraction.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 98-01-056, § 16-752-330, filed 12/11/97, effective 1/11/98; 91-03-045 (Order 2069), § 16-752-330, filed 1/11/91, effective 2/11/91; 89-24-090, § 16-752-330, filed 12/6/89, effective 1/6/90.]

## LYTHRUM QUARANTINE

**WAC 16-752-400 Establishing quarantine.** The Lythrum species (Purple loosestrife) is an aggressive, semi-aquatic, herbaceous perennial weed that has infested wetlands in the state of Washington causing serious harm to native plants and destroying habitat for birds and small mammals. Some varieties of loosestrife are cultivated and sold as nursery stock in the horticultural industry. The director of agriculture, pursuant to the powers provided in chapter 17.24 RCW and RCW 17.10.074 (1)(c), and chapter 15.13 RCW, has determined that the regulation and exclusion of this plant, plant parts, and seeds is necessary to preserve Washington wetlands from further infestation.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 17.24 RCW. 90-15-062 (Order 2050), § 16-752-400, filed 7/18/90, effective 8/18/90.]

**WAC 16-752-405 Lythrum quarantine—Regulated articles.** The following are regulated articles:

(1) All plants and plant parts of the Lythrum species, *Lythrum salicaria* and *Lythrum virgatum*, and any hybrid cross thereof. This includes, but is not limited to, purple loosestrife and plants with horticultural names: The beacon, fire candle, brightness, lady sackville, Mr. Robert, Robert's, happy, roseum superbum, purple spire, rose queen, the rocket, morden pink, morden gleam, morden rose, dropmore purple, and tomentosum.

(2) All seeds of plants of the Lythrum species *Lythrum salicaria* and *Lythrum virgatum*.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 17.24 RCW. 90-15-062 (Order 2050), § 16-752-405, filed 7/18/90, effective 8/18/90.]

**WAC 16-752-410 Lythrum quarantine—Prohibited acts.** It is prohibited to transport, buy, sell, offer for sale, or to distribute plants or seeds of the species *Lythrum salicaria* or *Lythrum virgatum* into or within the state of Washington. It is further prohibited to transplant wild plants and/or plant parts of these species in the state of Washington.

This prohibition shall not apply to plants or seeds collected for herbariums, research in control methods, creation of pressed specimens for educational or identification purposes and other scientific activities: Provided, That all activities requiring live plants and/or viable seed, except pressed specimens, are conducted under a permit from the director and are conducted so as to ensure that no infestation is created.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 17.24 RCW. 90-15-062 (Order 2050), § 16-752-410, filed 7/18/90, effective 8/18/90.]

**WAC 16-752-415 Disposition of regulated articles.** Any plants, plant parts or seeds transported, bought, sold, offered for sale, or planted in violation of this order shall be

subject to destruction or shipment back out-of-state if the director determines that such shipment does not present a danger of infestation.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 17.24 RCW. 90-15-062 (Order 2050), § 16-752-415, filed 7/18/90, effective 8/18/90.]

**WAC 16-752-420 Penalties.** Any person who violates the terms of this quarantine shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and for each subsequent violation, shall be guilty of a gross misdemeanor. The director may also impose a civil penalty in an amount not more than one thousand dollars for each violation. Every person who, through an act of commission or omission, procures, aids, or abets in the violation shall be considered to have violated this chapter and may be subject to the civil penalty.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 17.24 RCW. 90-15-062 (Order 2050), § 16-752-420, filed 7/18/90, effective 8/18/90.]

## WETLAND AND AQUATIC WEED QUARANTINE

**WAC 16-752-500 Establishing wetland and aquatic weed quarantine.** Washington waters and wetlands are threatened by nonnative, aggressive weeds that destroy the commercial, aesthetic, fish and/or wildlife habitat, and recreational value of these areas. African elodea, Brazilian elodea (or egeria), Eurasian watermilfoil, fanwort, slender-leaved naiad, hydrilla and water chestnut (a different species from the food "water chestnut" commonly sold in grocery stores) are submersed, rooted species that can invade shallow to deep water. Parrotfeather, water primrose, and yellow floating heart are rooted plants that invade shallow water and aquatic margins. European frogbit and swollen bladderwort are freely floating species. These species, when established, form dense mats that will clog irrigation systems and waterways, displace native species, alter fish and wildlife habitat, and seriously impact recreational use of the waterways.

Garden loosestrife, hairy willow herb, grass-leaved arrowhead, mud mat, marsh dew flower and flowering rush are rooted plants which invade wetlands, shallow water and aquatic margins. When established, their dense stands displace native vegetation and harm wildlife habitat.

Salt meadow cordgrass, common cordgrass, and smooth cordgrass are noxious weeds that have invaded salt water estuarine areas on the Washington coast displacing native species, threatening bird and mammal habitats and the shellfish industry. Dense-flowered cordgrass, a closely related species, has potential to duplicate this invasion.

The director of agriculture, pursuant to the powers provided in chapters 17.10, 15.13 and 17.24 RCW, finds that the regulation and exclusion of these plants and plant parts are necessary to preserve Washington waters and wetlands, both fresh water and estuarine, from new or additional infestation. These requirements and restrictions, contained in WAC 16-752-500 through 16-752-525, are in addition to the requirements contained in WAC 232-12-271, "Criteria for planting aquatic plants and releasing wildlife," administered by the Washington state department of fish and wildlife.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.24, 17.10, and 15.13 RCW. 01-01-014, § 16-752-500, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01. Statutory Authority: RCW

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17.10.235 and chapter 17.24 RCW. 92-07-024, § 16-752-500, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-505 Wetland and aquatic weed quarantine—Regulated articles.** All plants and plant parts of the following are regulated articles under this chapter:

Scientific Name	Common Name
<i>Butomus umbelatus</i>	flowering rush
<i>Cabomba caroliniana</i>	fanwort
<i>Egeria densa</i>	Brazilian elodea
<i>Epilobium hirsutum</i>	hairy willow herb
<i>Glossostigma diandrum</i>	mud mat
<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>	hydrilla
<i>Hydrocharis morsus-ranae</i>	European frog-bit
<i>Lagarosiphon major</i>	African elodea
<i>Ludwigia hexapetala</i>	water primrose
<i>Lysimachia vulgaris</i>	garden loosestrife
<i>Murdannia keisak</i>	marsh dew flower, Asian spiderwort
<i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i>	parrotfeather
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	Eurasian watermilfoil
<i>Najas minor</i>	slender-leaved naiad, brittle naiad
<i>Nymphoides peltata</i>	yellow floating heart
<i>Sagittaria graminea</i>	grass-leaved arrowhead
<i>Spartina alterniflora</i>	smooth cordgrass
<i>Spartina anglica</i>	common cordgrass
<i>Spartina densiflora</i>	dense-flowered cordgrass
<i>Spartina patens</i>	salt meadow cordgrass
<i>Trapa natans</i>	water chestnut, bull nut
<i>Utricularia inflata</i>	swollen bladderwort

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.24, 17.10, and 15.13 RCW. 01-01-014, § 16-752-505, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01. Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.235 and chapter 17.24 RCW. 92-07-024, § 16-752-505, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-507 Wetland and Aquatic weed quarantine—Quarantine area.** The area under the wetland and aquatic weed quarantine includes all counties within the state of Washington and all states, territories, and districts of the United States.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.235 and chapter 17.24 RCW. 92-07-024, § 16-752-507, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-510 Wetland and aquatic weed quarantine—Prohibited acts.** It is prohibited to transport, buy, sell, offer for sale, or to distribute plants or plant parts of the regulated plants, listed in WAC 16-752-505, into or within the state of Washington. It is further prohibited to intentionally transplant wild plants and/or plant parts of these species within the state of Washington.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.235 and chapter 17.24 RCW. 92-07-024, § 16-752-510, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-515 Wetland and aquatic weed quarantine—Exemptions.** The prohibition on transporting plants or plant parts in WAC 16-752-510 shall not apply to plants or plant parts collected for herbariums, research in control methods, creation of pressed specimens for educational or identi-

fication purposes and other scientific activities, except that all activities requiring live plants, except pressed specimens, are conducted under permit from the director and are conducted in such a way that no infestation is created. No permit is required to transport plants or plant parts, as a part of a noxious weed control activity, to a sanitary landfill, to be burned, or otherwise for disposition, if such activities are conducted under the supervision of an official weed control agency or other public agency with management responsibilities for the control efforts and are conducted in such a manner that seed dispersal or dispersal of propagative materials to uninfested areas is prevented. No permit is required for live plants for educational or training purposes, if the specimens are disposed of in such a manner as to prevent infestation.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.24, 17.10, and 15.13 RCW. 01-01-014, § 16-752-515, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01. Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.235 and chapter 17.24 RCW. 92-07-024, § 16-752-515, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-520 Wetland and aquatic weed quarantine—Disposition of regulated articles.** Any plants or plant parts transported, bought, sold, offered for sale, or planted in violation of this order shall be subject to destruction or shipment out-of-state if the department determines that such shipment may be done without danger of infestation. Any action will be at the expense of the owner or the owner's agent and without compensation.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.24, 17.10, and 15.13 RCW. 01-01-014, § 16-752-520, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01. Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.235 and chapter 17.24 RCW. 92-07-024, § 16-752-520, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-525 Wetland and aquatic weed quarantine—Penalties.** Any person who violates the terms of this quarantine, as provided in WAC 16-752-500 through 16-752-520, or who aids and abets in such violation, shall be subject to criminal and/or civil penalties provided by law.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.235 and chapter 17.24 RCW. 92-07-024, § 16-752-525, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

## NOXIOUS WEED SEED AND PLANT QUARANTINE

**WAC 16-752-600 Establishing the noxious weed seed and plant quarantine.** Washington agriculture, environmental quality and natural resources are threatened by nonnative, aggressive species of noxious weeds. A number of these noxious weeds are transported and sold within the state of Washington both as nursery plants and as seeds in packets of flower seeds or "wildflower mixes." Subsequent "escape" of these ornamentals has been a documented source of a number of infestations and has resulted in large public and private expenditures by landowners and land managers, weed boards, and weed districts and the department of agriculture to achieve the control mandated in chapter 17.10 RCW. The director of agriculture, pursuant to the powers provided in chapters 17.10 and 17.24 RCW, finds that regulation of the sale of these seed packets and plants is necessary to protect Washington agriculture and natural resources and prevent public and private costs of control.

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Note: For rules prescribing the limits of prohibited and restricted noxious weed seeds as contaminants in certified seed, see WAC 16-300-010 through 16-300-025.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.24, 17.10 RCW. 00-24-021, § 16-752-600, filed 11/28/00, effective 12/29/00; 92-07-025, § 16-752-600, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-605 Noxious weed seed and plant quarantine—Quarantine area.** The area under the noxious weed seed and plant quarantine includes all counties within the state of Washington and all states, territories, and districts of the United States.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 17.24 RCW. 92-07-025, § 16-752-605, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-610 Noxious weed seed and plant quarantine—Regulated articles.** All plants, plant parts, and seeds in packets, blends, and "wildflower mixes" of the following listed species are regulated under the terms of this noxious weed seed and plant quarantine:

Scientific Name	Common Names
Abutilon theophrasti	velvetleaf
Alliaria petiolata	garlic mustard
Amorpha fruticosa	indigobush, lead plant
Anchusa officinalis	common bugloss, alkanet, anchusa
Anthriscus sylvestris	wild chervil
Carduus acanthoides	plumeless thistle
Carduus nutans	musk thistle, nodding thistle
Carduus pycnocephalus	Italian thistle
Carduus tenuiflorus	slenderflower thistle
Centaurea calcitrapa	purple starthistle
Centaurea diffusa	diffuse knapweed
Centaurea jacea	brown knapweed, rayed knapweed, brown centaury horse-knobs, hardheads
Centaurea jacea x nigra	meadow knapweed
Centaurea biebersteinii	spotted knapweed
Centaurea macrocephala	bighead knapweed
Centaurea nigra	black knapweed
Centaurea nigrescens	Vochin knapweed
Chaenorrhinum minus	dwarf snapdragon
Crupina vulgaris	common crupina
Cytisus scoparius	Scotch broom
Daucus carota	wild carrot, Queen Anne's lace
Echium vulgare	blueweed, blue thistle, blue devil, viper's bugloss, snake flower
Euphorbia esula	leafy spurge
Euphorbia oblongata	eggleaf spurge
Galega officinalis	goatsrue
Helianthus ciliaris	Texas blueweed
Heracleum mantegazzianum	giant hogweed, giant cow parsnip
Hibiscus trionum	Venice mallow, flower-of-an-hour, bladder ketmia, modesty, shoo-fly
Hieracium aurantiacum	orange hawkweed, orange paintbrush, red daisy flameweed, devil's weed, grim-the-collier
Hieracium caespitosum	yellow hawkweed, yellow paintbrush, devil's paintbrush, yellow devil, field hawkweed, king devil
Hieracium floribundum	yellow devil hawkweed
Hieracium pilosella	mouseear hawkweed
Impatiens glandulifera	policeman's helmet
Isatis tinctoria	dyers' woad
Kochia scoparia	kochia, summer-cyprus, burning-bush, fireball, Mexican fireweed
Lepidium latifolium	perennial pepperweed
Leucanthemum vulgare	oxeye daisy, white daisy, whiteweed, field daisy, marguerite, poorland flower

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Scientific Name	Common Names
<i>Linaria dalmatica</i> spp. dalmatica	Dalmatian toadflax
<i>Mirabilis nyctaginea</i>	wild four o'clock, umbrella-wort
<i>Onopordum acanthium</i>	Scotch thistle
<i>Proboscidea louisianica</i>	unicorn-plant
<i>Pueraria montana</i> var. <i>lobata</i>	kudzu
<i>Salvia aethiopis</i>	Mediterranean sage
<i>Salvia pratensis</i>	meadow clary
<i>Salvia sclarea</i>	clary sage
<i>Senecio jacobaea</i>	tansy ragwort
<i>Silybum marianum</i>	milk thistle
<i>Solanum elaeagnifolium</i>	silverleaf nightshade
<i>Solanum rostratum</i>	buffaloburr
<i>Soliva sessilis</i>	lawnweed
<i>Sorghum halepense</i>	johnsongrass
<i>Spartium junceum</i>	Spanish broom
<i>Tamarix ramosissima</i>	saltcedar
<i>Thymelaea passerina</i>	spurge flax
<i>Torilis arvensis</i>	hedgearsley
<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	gorse, furze
<i>Zygophyllum fabago</i>	Syrian bean-caper

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.24, 17.10, 15.13 RCW. 02-12-030, § 16-752-610, filed 5/29/02, effective 6/29/02. Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.24, 17.10 RCW. 00-24-021, § 16-752-610, filed 11/28/00, effective 12/29/00; 98-13-008, § 16-752-610, filed 6/4/98, effective 7/5/98. Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 17.24 RCW. 92-07-025, § 16-752-610, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-620 Noxious weed seed and plant quarantine—Prohibited acts.** It is prohibited to transport, buy, sell, offer for sale, or to distribute plants or plant parts of the regulated species listed in WAC 16-752-610 into or within the state of Washington or to sell, offer for sale, or distribute seed packets of the seed, flower seed blends, or wildflower mixes of these regulated species into or within the state of Washington.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 17.24 RCW. 92-07-025, § 16-752-620, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-630 Noxious weed seed and plant quarantine—Exceptions.** The prohibition on transporting of plants and plant parts established in WAC 16-752-620 does not apply to plants or plant parts collected for herbariums, research in control methods, creation of pressed specimens, or for educational or identification purposes and other scientific activities, as long as all such activities are conducted in such a manner as to prevent infestation. In addition, plants or plant parts may be transported, as a part of a noxious weed control activity, to a sanitary landfill, to be burned, or otherwise for disposal under the supervision of a noxious weed control agency.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.24, 17.10 RCW. 00-24-021, § 16-752-630, filed 11/28/00, effective 12/29/00; 92-07-025, § 16-752-630, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-640 Noxious weed seed and plant quarantine—Permits.** The director may allow the movement of materials, otherwise prohibited, by special permit. Such permit shall specify the terms and conditions under which movement is allowed.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 17.24 RCW. 92-07-025, § 16-752-640, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

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**WAC 16-752-650 Noxious weed seed and plant quarantine—Disposal of regulated articles.** Any plants, plant parts, or seed packets transported, bought, sold, or offered for sale in violation of WAC 16-752-600 through 16-752-650 are subject to destruction or shipment out-of-state or other disposition in a manner prescribed by the director to prevent infestation. Any such action will be at the expense of the owner or the owner's agent and without compensation.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.24, 17.10 RCW. 00-24-021, § 16-752-650, filed 11/28/00, effective 12/29/00; 92-07-025, § 16-752-650, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

**WAC 16-752-660 Noxious weed seed and plant quarantine—Penalties.** Any person who violates the terms of the noxious weed quarantine, as provided in WAC 16-752-600 through 16-752-650, or who aids or abets in such violation, shall be subject to the civil and/or criminal penalties provided in chapter 17.24 RCW.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 17.24 RCW. 92-07-025, § 16-752-660, filed 3/10/92, effective 4/10/92.]

## PURPLE NUTSEDGE QUARANTINE

**WAC 16-752-700 Establishing quarantine for purple nutsedge.** Purple nutsedge (*Cyperus rotundus*) is a highly invasive, herbaceous perennial and is commonly considered one of the most serious noxious weeds in agronomic crops in the world. Purple nutsedge propagates by seed, rhizomes, bulbs and nutlets. Soil containing nutlets is the primary mode by which purple nutsedge spreads. The establishment of purple nutsedge in Washington would cause reduction in native vegetation and great economic loss to the agricultural industries of the state. The director of agriculture, pursuant to authorities in chapter 17.24 RCW, RCW 17.10.074 (1)(c) and chapter 15.13 RCW, has determined that the regulation and exclusion of purple nutsedge and its parts, seeds, rhizomes, bulbs and nutlets is necessary to protect the environmental quality and agricultural crops of the state of Washington.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.13 and 17.24 RCW and RCW 17.10.074 (1)(c). 00-02-033, § 16-752-700, filed 12/29/99, effective 1/29/00.]

**WAC 16-752-705 What articles are regulated under the quarantine of purple nutsedge and what do you need to ship regulated articles into Washington?** (1) All plants or plant parts, including seeds and propagules, of purple nutsedge (*Cyperus rotundus*).

(2) Any of the following articles entering the state of Washington from the states of Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia, the territories of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, and any other state, territory or district of the United States where purple nutsedge is found are regulated under this quarantine as hosts or possible carriers of purple nutsedge:

(a) All plants with roots, including planting medium and containers, except house plants;

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- (b) Soil, humus, compost or manure, except for commercially packaged products;
- (c) Sod;
- (d) Plant crowns, tubers or roots for propagation; and
- (e) Any other article or means of conveyance, when it is determined by the department to present a hazard of spreading live purple nutsedge due to infestation or exposure to infestation.

(3) Shipment of the regulated articles described in subsection (2) of this section into or within the state of Washington must be accompanied by a certificate of inspection issued by an authorized state or federal regulatory authority from the state or entity of origin. The certificate of inspection must certify that the regulated article(s) has been inspected and found free of purple nutsedge and its plant parts, seeds, rhizomes, bulbs and nutlets.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.13 and 17.24 RCW and RCW 17.10.074 (1)(c). 00-02-033, § 16-752-705, filed 12/29/99, effective 1/29/00.]

**WAC 16-752-710 Acts prohibited by this purple nutsedge quarantine.** (1) Except under the terms of a compliance agreement with the department, the movement into or within the state of Washington of the following is prohibited:

- (a) All purple nutsedge plants and purple nutsedge plant parts, including seeds and propagules; and
- (b) Soil, humus, compost, bark, sawdust, ground wood products or manure contaminated with purple nutsedge seed, rhizomes, bulbs or nutlets.

(2) Planting or propagation of purple nutsedge is prohibited.

(3) Shipment of any of the regulated articles described in WAC 16-752-705(2) into or within the state of Washington without a certificate of inspection issued in accordance with WAC 16-752-705(3) is prohibited.

(4) The department may issue permits allowing actions otherwise prohibited under this section subject to the department's conditions and provisions necessary to prevent the introduction, escape or spread of purple nutsedge as prescribed in the permits.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.13 and 17.24 RCW and RCW 17.10.074 (1)(c). 00-02-033, § 16-752-710, filed 12/29/99, effective 1/29/00.]

**WAC 16-752-715 Disposal of articles regulated under this purple nutsedge quarantine.** Any regulated articles that are in violation of this purple nutsedge quarantine are subject to destruction, shipment out-of-state or other disposition in a manner prescribed by the department. Any such action will be at the expense of the owner or owner's agent and without compensation.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.13 and 17.24 RCW and RCW 17.10.074 (1)(c). 00-02-033, § 16-752-715, filed 12/29/99, effective 1/29/00.]